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Applicants: T. FUJIOKA et al.
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Sir:

A request for reconsideration was filed on March 5, 2001, and a supplemental amendment was filed on May 21, 2001, in the above-identified application in response to the non-final Office Action of October 4, 2000. The applicants had not received an Office communication responding to the request for reconsideration of March 5, 2001, and the supplemental amendment of May 21, 2001, as of the filing date of this Information Disclosure Statement, such that, as far as could be determined, this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted on or before the mailing date of a final Office Action, a Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c).

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c) and 1.98, attached hereto are copies of U.S. Patent Nos. 5,995,073 and 6,166,725 and a form PTO listing these two references.

U.S. Patent No. 5,995,073 issued from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/826,973 which is cited and discussed on pages 2-5 of the original specification submitted with the application papers on October 30, 1998; on pages 2-5 of the substitute specification submitted with the preliminary amendment of March 8, 1999; and on pages 2-6 of the second substitute specification submitted with the accompanying second supplemental amendment of May 23, 2001.

U.S. Patent No. 6,166,725 issued from U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/450,436 which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/826,973 referred to above.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c), as far as could be determined, this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted on or before the mailing date of a final Office Action, a Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application.

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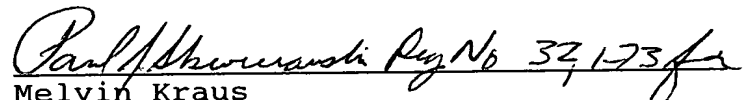
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